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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following section headings:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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Field of the Invention

Before the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 7, please insert the following section heading:

Description of the Related Art

Before the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 8, please insert the following section heading:

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the partial paragraph beginning at page 4, line 8 with the

following rewritten paragraph:

The present invention is a combination of:

Before the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 25, please insert the following section headings and specification paragraphs:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 shows the ratio between [111In-DTPA-D-Phe1]octreotide uptake in various organs in the presence or absence of 1 L lysine/arginine infusion (25/25 g; administered over 4 hours);

Figure 2 shows the ration between [177Lu-DOTA, Tyr3]octreotate uptake in various organs in the presence or absence of 1 L lysine/arginine infusion (25/25 g; administered over 4 hours);

Figure 3 shows the ratio between [111In-DTPA-D-Phe1]octreotide uptake in various organs in the presence or absence of 1 L glucose/saline solution, administered over 4 hours; and

Figure 4 shows between [111In-DTPA-D-Phe1] octreotide uptake in the left kidney after a 0.5 + 3.5 hour infusion of various amino acid compositions.